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GOVERNMENT OF TRIPURA HOME (JAIL) DEPARTMENT TRIPURA, AGARTALA

No.F.X-716/IGP/2025/DIS/570399/25

Dated, Agartala, the 2nd June, 2025.

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 59 of the Prisons Act, 1894 (Central Act No. 9 of 1894) and in compliance of the order dated 03/10/2024 passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in Writ Petition(C) No. 1404/2023, the State Government hereby makes the following rules to further amend the Tripura Sansodhanagar Rules, 2021(hereinafter referred to as the Principal Rules):-

1. Short title and commencement:-

- These rules may be called the 'Tripura Sansodhanagar (Second amendment) Rules, 2025;
- 2. They shall come into force on and from the date of their publication in the Tripura Gazette.

2. Insertion of a new rule 111(A):-

In Chapter- VI of the Principal Rules, after rule 111, the following new rule 111(A) shall be inserted-

"111(A). PROHIBITION ON CASTE BASED DISCRIMINATION

- 1) It shall be strictly ensured by the concerned Institutional personnel that there is no discrimination, classification or segregation of prisoners on the basis of their caste and there is no caste based discrimination of prisoners in allotment of any duty/work in the prisons;
- 2) Manual scavenging or hazardous cleaning of a sewer or septic tank inside the prison shall not be permitted and it shall also be ensured that, the provisions of Prohibition of Employment as Manual Scavengers and their Rehabilitation Act, 2013 shall have a binding effect in Prisons and Correctional Institutions.
- 3. Substitution of the definition of Habitual Offender':Definition of 'Habitual Offender' under Clause (14) of rule 1(A) of
 the Principal Rules, shall be substituted with the following-

"Habitual offender means a person who during any continuous period of five years, has been convicted and sentenced to imprisonment on more than two occasions on account of any one or more of the offences committed on different occasions and not constituting parts of same transaction, such sentence not having been reversed in appeal review.

Provided that in computing the continuous period of five years referred to above, any period spent in jail either under sentence of imprisonment or under detention shall not be taken into account."

By order of the Governor,

Signed by Brijesh Pandey
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Secretary to the Government of Tripura